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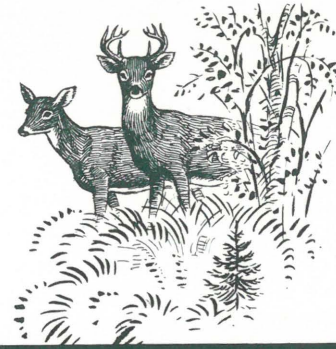
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F I E L D N O T E S

MAY 27, 1963

FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR CHARLES ALLEN, DIV. A, NORTH WINDHAM, MAY 12:

WARDEN DAVE SPENCER, NORWAY: SALMON FISHING IS CONSIDERED FAIR AT THOMPSON LAKE WITH FISH RUNNING ABOUT TWO TO FOUR POUNDS AND COMING TO STREAMERS. BEAVER COMPLAINTS STARTING TO COME IN.

WARDEN RUSS DYER, RAYMOND: THERE ARE VERY FEW FISHERMEN AROUND EXCEPT AT THE STOCKED BROOKS. THOMAS POND IN SO. CASCO IS PRODUCING GOOD FISHING FOR BROWN TROUT. THESE TROUT RUN FROM SEVEN TO 10 INCHES LONG.

SUPERVISOR ALLEN: FISHING PRESSURE QUITE LIGHT EXCEPT ON GOOD WEEK ENDS, OF WHICH WE HAVE HAD VERY FEW. WHILE I WAS WORKING WITH WARDEN ERVIN LORD THIS WEEK IN THE LOVELL AREA, WE WATCHED A MOTHER FOX NURSING FOUR YOUNG PUPS. ALTHOUGH WE WERE ONLY 300 OR 400 FEET AWAY, SHE PAID LITTLE ATTENTION TO US.

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FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR ARTHUR ROGERS, DIV. B, WATERVILLE, MAY 11:

WARDEN ORAL PAGE, BELGRADE: A SMALL BUCK DEER WAS FOUND BESIDE THE RAILROAD TRACKS IN FAIRFIELD WITH A BROKEN NECK BUT SEEMED OTHERWISE UNDAUNTED. IT COULD POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN FRIGHTENED, FALLEN, AND BROKEN ITS NECK. TWO PAIR OF BIRDS -- BELIEVED TO BE UPLAND PLOVER -- WERE SEEN IN A FIELD NEAR FAIRFIELD CENTER SATURDAY. THEY APPEARED WET AND TIRED AND HAD PROBABLY BEEN FIGHTING THE SNOWSTORM.

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WARDEN BILL GORDON, EDGEComb: ONLY A FEW FISHERMEN OUT AND NOT MANY FISH BEING TAKEN; MOST OF THOSE WERE STOCKED TROUT. WATER CONDITIONS IN PONDS AND STREAMS ARE STILL HIGH. THE RECENT COLD AND RAINY WEATHER HAS BEEN A FACTOR IN FISHING CONDITIONS. STILL GETTING A FEW DOG COMPLAINTS. DEER ARE SHOWING UP GOOD IN MOST AREAS.

WARDEN INSPECTOR JOHN SHAW, WISCASSET: MOST OF THE THOUSANDS OF GEESE WHICH WERE IN THE MERRYMEETING BAY AREA A FEW WEEKS AGO HAVE MOVED NORTH, LEAVING ONLY A FEW STRAGGLERS. THERE ARE STILL MANY DUCKS IN THE AREA, HOWEVER. THE BLACK DUCKS SEEM TO BE MORE PLENTIFUL THAN USUAL THIS SPRING. WARDENS IN THIS DIVISION ARE SPENDING CONSIDERABLE TIME ON NUISANCE BEAVER COMPLAINTS.

WARDEN CHARLES TUTTLE, RICHMOND: FISHERMEN ARE GETTING QUITE A FEW BROWN TROUT AT TACOMA LAKE. THE NEST OF PARTRIDGE EGGS I FOUND RECENTLY HAS BEEN DESTROYED. MY GUESS IS THAT IT WAS BY A CROW.

WARDEN GEORGE NASH, JEFFERSON: FISHING ACTIVITY HAS BEEN SLOW, WITH FEW FISH TAKEN. PEOPLE REPORT SEEING A LOT OF DEER IN THE ROADS AT NIGHT. BACK ROADS ARE IMPROVING, AND BROOKS ARE DOWN TO A NORMAL LEVEL. SALMON FISHING IN DAMARISCOTTA LAKE IS OFF, AND FEW FISH ARE BEING TAKEN.

WARDEN HAROLD TUKEY, BELGRADE LAKES: TROUT PONDS ARE SLOW STARTING, AND PARKER POND HAS NOT PRODUCED ANY SALMON YET. FISHING AT LONG AND GREAT PONDS IS FAIRLY GOOD.

WARDEN WALTER HARRIS, AUGUSTA: NESTING DUCKS HAVE BEEN SEEN AROUND THE DISTRICT. REPORTS AND SIGNS OF MOOSE BUT NOT MUCH ON DEER. FISHING IS SLOW WITH JUST A FAIR RUN OF PERCH AT COBBOSSEE. VERY FEW TROUT CHECKED AND NO REPORTS OF ANY GOOD CATCHES FROM THE BROOKS IN THIS DISTRICT. SEVERAL INCHES OF SNOW ON MAY 10 PUT AN END TO THE PERCH RUN UNTIL WARMER WEATHER. SEVERAL REPORTS RECEIVED OF SHORT SALMON BEING TAKEN AT MARANACOOK LAKE.

MORE

FIELD NOTES/ADD 2

FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR WENDELL BROWN, DIV. F, DOVER-FOXCROFT, MAY 14:

SMELT RUNS ARE OVER, ON THE WHOLE. THE SMELTS WERE SMALL AND SCARCE, AND HIGH WATER AND SNOW STORMS HELPED TO CONFUSE EVERYONE.

SOME TROUT AND SALMON ARE BEING TAKEN AT SEBEC LAKE, MONSON POND, AND ROACH POND, AND A FEW TOGUE AT WASSOOKEAG LAKE.

DEER ARE SHOWING UP VERY WELL, GROUSE ARE SHOWING UP GOOD, WOODCOCK SEEM PLENTIFUL, BUT DUCKS ARE SCARCE.

THERE IS STILL SNOW IN THE BLACK GROWTH AROUND THE GREENVILLE DISTRICT.

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FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR DAVID PRIEST, DIV. G, LINCOLN CENTER, MAY 19:

FISHERMEN ARE HAVING GOOD LUCK IN MANY OF THE BROOKS AROUND THE DIVISION.

PARTRIDGE ARE SHOWING UP VERY WELL IN MOST ALL THE DISTRICTS.

BEAR HUNTERS ARE HAVING VERY GOOD LUCK IN THE STACYVILLE AND PATTEN AREAS. FIVE LARGE BEAR HAVE BEEN KILLED ON THE SHERMAN LUMBER CO. ROAD IN STACYVILLE IN THE PAST TWO WEEKS. TWO BEAR HAVE BEEN REPORTED KILLED IN ONE WEEK BY A BOW AND ARROW HUNTER IN THE PATTEN AREA.

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FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR WALLACE BARRON, DIV. J, CARATUNK PLT., MAY 16:

INSPECTOR HARRY KEARNEY, GREENVILLE: DEER AND PARTRIDGE ARE SHOWING UP VERY WELL. AT LAST REPORT, THE ICE WAS NOT OUT OF BULLDOG (ENCHANTED) POND.

WARDEN DONALD WALKER, BINGHAM: FISHING IS GENERALLY SLOW. EAST CARRY POND IS THE EXCEPTION, WITH FAIR FISHING AND LIMIT CATCHES FOR THOSE WHO WILL WORK AT IT. MOOSE HAVE BEEN SEEN ALONG ROUTE 16 IN MAYFIELD.

THE NUMBERS OF DEER, GROUSE, AND RABBITS SHOWING UP AFTER THE RECENT SEVERE WINTER IS DIFFICULT TO BELIEVE, EVEN WHEN ONE SEES THEM WITH HIS OWN EYES. MANY DOES HAVE BEEN SEEN WITH LAST YEAR'S YOUNG STILL ALONG WITH THEM. SOME OF THE YOUNG APPEAR AWFULLY SMALL TO HAVE SURVIVED THE DEEP, LOOSE SNOW THAT FILLED THE WOODS. ALL WARDENS REPORT A GOOD RETURN OF WOODCOCK THIS SPRING.